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**EDUCATION:** Undergraduate: Tulane University

Bachelor of Science in Political Science, 1982 Law School: Tulane University School of Law

Juris Doctor, 1986

**LEGAL** 

**EXPERIENCE:** June 1994 to Present

Managing Member - Lewis, Kullman, Sterbcow & Abramson, LLC

September 1988 to May 1994 Partner - Fraser and Sterbcow

May 1986 to August 1988

Associate - Abbott, Webb, Best & Meeks

**ADMITTED:** United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana

United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana United States District Court for the Southern District of Louisiana United States District Court for the Southern District of Alabama

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

United States Supreme Court

**MEMBERSHIPS:** New Orleans Federal Bar Association

Board of Directors 2014-2018

New Orleans Bar Association

Board of Directors 2012 - present

Treasurer 2016 - 2017

Louisiana State Bar Association

American Bar Association

Fellow 2012 – present

Louisiana Association for Justice

Advisory Board 1996

Chair, Maritime Section 2004, 2016 Board of Governors 1997, 2002 - 2010

Council of Directors 2011

Executive Committee 2012 – present

President 2018-2019

American Association for Justice

Member, Admiralty and Professional Negligence Sections

Admiralty Section Chair 2001 - 2002

AAJ PAC Gold Member

Board of Governors 2019

Maritime Law Association

Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute

Fellow, The American College of Trial

Fellow, International Academy of Trial Lawyers

Shir Chadash Conservative Congregation

President 2002-2003

## **PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Federal Bar Association New Orleans Chapter President's Award	2018
New Orleans Bar Association Maritime Lawyer of the Year	2017
Louisiana Association of Justice President's Award	2010 - 2011
Super Lawyers	2012 - 2017
Louisiana Life Magazine - Top Attorneys in Louisiana	2013 - 2017
St. Charles Avenue Magazine – Top Attorneys in New Orleans	2013 - 2017
MDL 2179/Deepwater Horizon Litigation	
Plaintiff Steering Committee	2010-present
Co-lead lawyer liability trial	2010-present

#### **LECTURER:**

Tulane University Law School Maritime Seminar Advisory Committee and Speaker, 1995 – 2001

Tulane Admiralty Law Institute CLE Education Speaker, 2011, 2015

Louisiana Association for Justice CLE Education Speaker, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2007-2010, 2012-13, 2016, 2018, 2019 Louisiana Association for Justice Post-Legislative Conference CLE Education Speaker, 2018

Tulane University Law School Symposium Deepwater Horizon: Lessons from the BP Oil Spill Litigation 2019

Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi and Florida Trial Lawyers Associations Admiralty Law Seminar Program Chair and Speaker, 1999

American Association for Justice Admiralty Section, Speaker, 1999 and 2001 CLE Education Speaker, 2010

Louisiana State Bar Association CLE Education Speaker, 2000, 2013, 2016

Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce Admiralty Symposium CLE Education Speaker, 2002

Greater New Orleans Barge Fleeting Association CLE Education Speaker, 2003, 2013

Paul M. Hebert Law Center Louisiana State University CLE Education Speaker, 2005

Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit Loyola University New Orleans School of Law American College of Trial Lawyers CLE Education Speaker, 2005

Alabama Trial Lawyers Association CLE Education Speaker, 2006

New Orleans Bar Association CLE Education Speaker, 2007, 2014, 2016

National Business Institute CLE Education Speaker, 2008 Maritime Law Association CLE Education Speaker, 2010

National Transportation Safety Board Bar Association CLE Education Speaker, 2011

American Conference Institute CLE Education Speaker, 2012

Lafayette Parish Bar Association CLE Education Speaker, 2013

Offshore Marine Service Association Loyola Law School CLE Education Speaker, 2013

Loyola Law School Guest Lecturer, 2014

Loyola University Law School Maritime Seminar CLE Education Speaker, 2016

### SPEECHES AND CLE PUBLICATIONS

• Impact of New Legal Decisions and Legislation on the Marine Operator and Insurer Fourteenth New Orleans Maritime Seminar, January 1995

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Seamen and Maritime Employees Maintenance and Cure and Wage Payments Casino Boat/Cruise Vessel Issues Foreign Seamen Clause

Fifteenth New Orleans Maritime Seminar, January 1996

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

Select Updates in Maritime Law
 Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association Last Chance Seminar, December 1996

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Discussion of Select Maritime Cases

Sixteenth New Orleans Maritime Seminar, January 1997

Tulane Law School

• A Maritime Personal Injury Lawyer Looks at Sexual Misconduct in the Workplace Seventeenth New Orleans Maritime Seminar, January 1998

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

Handling Maintenance and Cure Claims After Guevara v. Maritime Overseas Corp.
 Admiralty Law Seminar, 1999

Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi and Florida Trial Lawyer Associations

Point Clear, Alabama

• Expert Testimony in Maritime Cases

American Trial Lawyers Association Annual Convention, 1999

San Francisco, California

• Recent Developments in the U.S. Supreme Court Fifth, Ninth and Eleventh Circuits Nineteenth New Orleans Maritime Seminar, January 2000

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Recent Developments in Maritime Law

Tulane Fall Maritime Seminar, September 2000

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

Maritime Death Remedies Revisited

Boston Multi-Topic CLE Seminar

Louisiana State Bar Association, October 2000

Boston, Massachusetts

• Review of Louisiana Law Effects of Amendments to Louisiana Civil Code

Articles 2323 and 2324

Louisiana State Bar Association, December 2000

New Orleans, Louisiana

• 33 U.S.C. Section 905(b): Problems for the Plaintiff

American Trial Lawyers Association Winter Convention, February 2001

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Application of State Law in Maritime Cases

Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association Maritime CLE, August 2001

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Mock Daubert Expert Challenge Hearing

Tulane Fall Maritime Seminar, October 2002

Tulane Law School

• Choice of Law/Choice of Forum

Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association Maritime Conference, 2003

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Medical Examinations

Greater New Orleans Barge Fleeting Association Seminar, September 2003

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Recovery Against Employers And Third Parties

21st New Orleans Maritime Seminar, October 2003

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Use Of Expert Witnesses In Admiralty Proceedings

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2004

Louisiana Association for Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana

Choice of Court, Choice of Law, and Choice of Trier of Fact

3rd Judge Alvin B. Rubin Conference on Maritime Personal Injury Law, March 2005 New Orleans, Louisiana

• Trial Practice Demonstration of the Electronic Courtroom at Trial

American College of Trial Lawyers

20th Annual Federal Practice & Advocacy Seminar, April 2005

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Maritime Death Remedies Revisited

Alabama Trial Lawyers Association Spring Seminar, March 2006

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Maritime Death Remedies Revisited

Alabama Trial Lawyers Association Annual Seminar, June 2006

Destin, Florida

• The Conclusive Maintenance and Cure Debate

Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, September 2006

New Orleans, Louisiana

• *Opening and Closing Statements* 

New Orleans Bar Association – Masters of the Courtroom, December 2007

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Overview of Significant Maritime Decisions

New Orleans Bar Association - Procrastinator's Program, December 2007

• Maritime Injury Damages

Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association CLE Seminar, May 2008

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Choice of Law/Choice of Forum

National Business Institute CLE Seminar, August 2008

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Seaman Injury Claims

National Business Institute CLE Seminar, August 2008

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Cain v. Transocean Offshore USA, Inc.

New Orleans Bar Association CLE Seminar, September 2008

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Cain v. Transocean Offshore USA, Inc.

19th Annual CLE by the Hour, December 2008

Tulane Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

• *Maritime Jurisdiction – In the Air and on the Edges* 

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2009

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Deepwater Horizon Disaster Maritime Remedies Revisited

Gulf Coast Oil Spill Litigation CLE Teleseminar, June 2010

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Personal Injury, Wrongful Death & Property Damage Investigation Coordination

Tulane University

Admiralty Law Institute, March 2011

New Orleans, Louisiana

• OCSLA – Jurisdiction Issues in The Wake of BP

9th Judge Alvin B. Rubin Conference On Maritime Personal Injury Law, May 2011

LSU Law Center

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

• Offshore Aviation Accidents – Admiralty Meets Aviation

National Transportation Safety Board Bar Association

Blue Angels Air and Transportation Law Conference, November 2011

Pensacola Beach, Florida

• Jury Selection

New Orleans Bar Association - Masters of the Courtroom, December 2011

• View From the Plaintiffs' Bar: Perspectives on Personal Injury Claims Trends, Settlement and ADR, Damages, and More

American Conference Institute's National Forum on Defending and Managing Admiralty & Maritime Litigation, March 2010

Houston, Texas

• BP Settlement - What It Means

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2012

Louisiana Association for Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Professionalism and Ethics in the Handling of the Personal Injury Litigation Matter - Start to Finish

Greater New Orleans Barge Fleeting Association Seminar, September 2013

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Organizing the Complex Case - Discovery and Motion Practice

Combined Louisiana State Bar Association Annual Meeting and

LSBA/LJC Summer School, June 2013

Destin, Florida

• Lessons from the Oil Spill Trial

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2013

Louisiana Association for Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Maritime Law Developments and Update

Lafayette Parish Bar Association Maritime Seminar, October 2013

Lafayette, Louisiana

• Update on the BP Oil Spill Settlement

International and Maritime Law Committee CLE, November 2013

New Orleans Bar Association

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Maintenance and Cure - A Practical Application

7th Annual Offshore Marine Service Association/Loyola College of Law Industry Seminar, November 2013

New Orleans, Louisiana

McBride v. Estis Well Service: The Past, Present, and Future of Punitive Damages
Federal Bar Association Admiralty Law and Federal Litigation Sections, July 2014
New Orleans, Louisiana

#### • Causation Under OPA

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2014 Louisiana Association for Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana

• BP Settlement

Personal Injury and Death Class, Guest Lecturer, November 2014 Loyola Law School

New Orleans, Louisiana

Maritime Law: Punitive Damages in the U.S. Fifth Circuit
 New Orleans Bar Association Procrastinators' Program, December 2014
 New Orleans, Louisiana

• Litigating a Maritime Disaster - How Do You Get It Done?

Admiralty Law Institute, March 2015

Tulane University

New Orleans, Louisiana

• In Rem: In Vogue Again?

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2015 Louisiana Association for Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana

• How to Take a Deposition

Summer School for Lawyers, June 2016

Louisiana State Bar Association 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Destin, Florida

• Maintenance and Cure: When Will They Learn

High Stakes on the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2016 Louisiana Association for Justice

Louisiana Association for .

New Orleans, Louisiana

• Deepwater Horizon Litigation: Civil, Criminal and Administrative Issues International and Maritime Law Committee CLE, October 2016

New Orleans Bar Association

New Orleans, Louisiana

• *Maritime Products Liability* 

High Stakes at the High Seas Maritime Law Conference, August 2019

Louisiana Association for Justice

# PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Use of Expert Witnesses in Admiralty Proceedings
  Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, August 2002
  Volume 34, Number 1, January 2003
- Maritime Rights and Remedies Revisited
   Loyola University New Orleans Maritime Law Journal
   Volume 18, Summer 2019